

**South Shore Charter Public School  
100 Longwater Circle, Norwell, MA  
Parents' Association  
September 6, 2005**

Minutes taken by Maria Sullivan

7:00 Call to Order by David Whitemyer.

**REVIEW AND APPROVE MINUTES**

Reviewed minutes from August 16<sup>th</sup> meeting.

Motion to approve minutes by Kathy Zimo, seconded by Cassie Proud.

Vote: Unanimous

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

*Grade Representative Letter*

Thank you to Bev and Debbie for the wonderful letter to email to parents introducing individual grade reps. Hoping to have everything finalized by next week once email addresses are collected and distributed by Pam A.

*Volunteers Needed*

Ted is asking for volunteers to help out with School Assemblies and Curriculum days. Please contact Ted at ext. 315 if interested.

*School Directory Advertising*

If there is anyone or knows of a company to advertise in the SSCPS phone directory contact Melissa Freitas. They hope to have the Directory published by Oct. 1<sup>st</sup>. Most parents use the Directory daily and would certainly want to give fellow parents business.

**TREASURY REPORT (KT Leary)**

- The PA currently has \$3000 in funds.
- The PA does not need to fund the Purple Packet mailing, as it is already budgeted through the school.
- KT would like to create a budget for the PA—looking into the history of what the PA funds annually. Contact KT to be a part of this committee.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS**

*ARTS / MUSIC*

- Raised \$2500 last year to fund field trips and visiting artist to come in and work with the art program and children.
- Committee is working with Andre and Marianne with the direction of what is needed.
- This years' Art/Music Auction Fundraiser is scheduled for February 11<sup>th</sup>.

## *DIVERSITY*

Still in need of someone to Chair this reactivated committee. Contact David W. if interested.

## *VOLUNTEER*

- Welcomes all new members to tonight's meeting and looks forward to working with them in the coming year.
- Purple Packet mailing underway with a volunteer form to be returned to school. Look for the mailing with in the next week.
- Sign up for 3 events and if you have a special talent to share.
- Want parents to be realistic and volunteer with the best fit for their life.

## *FUNDRAISING*

- Lauri N. is chairing Fall Festival and needs volunteers.
- Auction is set for Nov. 5. Looking for donations of chairs, benches, other items for each classroom to paint. These items will be auctioned off. Anything can be dropped off at the lobby.
- April Social—Comedy night—still needs someone to chair.

## *HEALTH & SAFETY*

- School Nurse is working to have a chiropractor visit the students and weigh backpacks and an ophthalmologist to do eye screening.
- Working with Health teacher about monthly curriculum items.
- Looking into Run/Walk for spring, but with the Hurricane relief effort, we could have the event soon and Reebok will pay for all advertising and shipping of donated goods.
- Students are currently looking to help with Hurricane relief efforts. Any one with more ideas on ways to help with the effort are encouraged to contact Mike.

## *LIBRARY*

- Committee is currently sorting through books and will need volunteer help with getting them to students and teachers.
- Questions about the library and grants.
- Suggestions of getting students to get library cards.
- Next committee meeting set for Monday, Sept. 12 at 3:30.

## *PAC*

No report. Anyone interested in this committee contact Chair J. Gammon.

## *TRANSPORTATION*

Bus from Hull has open seats and is currently looking for grants to help support the bus.

## **GRADE REPORTS**

K Children are settling in, started journals and had Fire Fighter visit.

- 1 Curriculum projects are getting started making globes. Interested volunteers needed, but “do not wear good shoes”. Wednesdays and Fridays at 1:30. Call Ted at Ext 315. Get PE permission slips in, first PE trip scheduled for tomorrow.
- 2 Things are great with students and teachers.
- 3 Working on Stars and Planets, Ancient Rome and Singapore math started. Kendra needs a volunteer to help with Schoolastic Book orders. Don't forget Goal Setting meetings.
- 4 Singapore Math Parent night coming up.
- 5 Fabulous start to the school year. Students received their first Agenda book for assignments.
- 6 Another Reminder for goal setting meetings and PE forms.
- 7 No report
- 8 No report
- 9 Enrollment in flux right now.
- 10 Nothing to report
- 11 Transition this year very smooth. Students love the PE program and soccer team.
- 12 Rep not present, but submitted written report to chair that the beginning of year went very smoothly, but students feel they have been left out of some of the decisions made. Questions about what the process is for the decisions. Questions about electives.

#### *OTHER GRADE CONCERNS*

Parent volunteer needed to help with the back door during drop off in the morning and to see that it gets locked up after 8:15.

#### **SCHOOL COUNCIL REPORT**

Parents from each level are needed to serve on school council with teachers and students.

#### **EDUCATION COMMITTEE REPORT**

Working on English and Language Arts curriculum this year. Meets the first Tuesday of the month in room 100 at 3:30.

#### **STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE REPORT**

- This week nominations for Student Government are out. New position of Town moderator to run town meetings and Judicial seat for Student board.
- Great start with the new teachers.

#### **EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR REPORT**

- Great start, dismissal takes about 10 to 15 minutes, a great improvement from last year.
- Students are pleased with new teachers.
- First early release day set for Sept. 21. Sign up for extended day if you are not enrolled and need child care from 12-3p, \$15 fee.
- Reaching out a theme this year with our community service ideals.
- Actively looking to help with hurricane relief.
- The PE program is off to a great start. Looking for donations from schools for athletic equipment.
- Singapore math program K-12, teachers are very excited.

- Please remember the annual auction to help with all of the items the school and building still need.

## **OLD BUSINESS**

Internet Discussion Forum Guidelines, by David Whitemyerr  
Revised version, based on Aug 16 PA meeting amendments, handed out and discussed.  
Motion to accept guidelines by Gema Gray, seconded by Kim Dalton.  
Vote: Unanimous

## **NEW BUSINESS**

Lauri Rumpf would like to Chair a committee for after school enrichment activities. If you have a talent to share, contact Lauri.

Parent Volunteer noticed and voiced concern that there is no real faculty room for teachers and hopes we can do something about that.

Update on Emergency phone system: As soon as all emergency contact info is received it will be placed in the phone system.

## **ADJOURN**

Motion to Adjourn at 8:55 PM, Seconded, Unanimous.